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Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Steven Ssenabulaya **Nkayivu** (Uganda)

I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 43rd and 51st meetings, on 21 May and 13 June 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.43 and 51).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

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II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.45

4. At its 51st meeting, on 13 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia" (A/C.5/62/L.45),

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which was submitted by the representative of the Czech Republic and Vice-Chairman of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations.

5. Before the consideration of the draft resolution, the Secretary of the Committee orally corrected the text as follows: (a) In operative paragraph 1, after the date "30 June 2006" the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/____ of ____" was deleted; (b) In operative paragraph 12, after "60/266" the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/____" was deleted.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.45, as orally corrected, without a vote (see para. 7).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

7. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

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Recalling also Security Council resolution 1509 (2003) of 19 September 2003, by which the Council decided to establish the United Nations Mission in Liberia for a period of twelve months, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1777 (2007) of 20 September 2007, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 30 September 2008,

Recalling further its resolution 58/315 of 1 July 2004,

Recalling its resolution 58/261 A of 23 December 2003 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 61/286 of 29 June 2007,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006 and 61/276 of 29 June 2007 as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in Liberia as at 30 April 2008, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 71 million United States dollars, representing some 2 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 65 Member States have paid their

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3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, 2 and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Recalls* paragraph 13 of its resolution 60/121 B and reiterates, in view of the importance of ensuring coordination and collaboration of efforts with the United Nations agencies and programmes, its request to report to the General Assembly on the progress made in the development of a collaboration framework and the efforts towards developing an integrated work plan in the context of his budget submission at the sixty-third session of the General Assembly;

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13. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

14. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

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15. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007;[3]

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16. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in Liberia the amount of 631,689,100 dollars for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, inclusive of 603,708,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 24,392,000 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 3,589,100 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation

17. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 157,922,278 dollars for the period from 1 July to 30 September 2008, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008, as set out in its resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006;

18. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 17 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 3,567,150 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,910,325 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 585,925 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 70,900 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

19. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 473,766,822 dollars for the period from 1 October 2008 to 30 June 2009, at a monthly rate of 52,640,758 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008 and 2009, as set out in its resolution 61/237, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

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21. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as

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provided for in paragraph 17 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 84,508,500 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2007, as set out in its resolution 61/237;

22. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 84,508,500 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 21 above;

23. *Also decides* that the increase of 758,400 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 84,508,500 dollars referred to in paragraphs 21 and 22 above;

24. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

25. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

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23. *Also decides* that the increase of 758,400 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007 shall be added to the credits from the amount of 84,508,500 dollars referred to in paragraphs 21 and 22 above;

24. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

25. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

26. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

27. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia".

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Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Steven Ssenabulya **Nkayivu** (Uganda)

I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Disengagement Observer Force" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 40th and 51st meetings, on 12 May and 13 June 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.40 and 51).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance report of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 (A/62/562);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 (A/62/719 and Corr.1);

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/781/Add.7 and Corr.1).

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II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.46

4. At its 51st meeting, on 13 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force" (A/C.5/62/L.46), submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Sweden.

5. Before the consideration of the draft resolution, the Secretary of the Committee orally corrected the draft resolution as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 1, after the date "30 June 2006", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/___" was deleted;

(b) In operative paragraph 11, after "60/266", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/___" was deleted.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.46, as orally corrected, without a vote (see para. 7).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

7. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 350 (1974) of 31 May 1974 regarding the establishment of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 1788 (2007) of 14 December 2007,

Recalling also its resolution 3211 B (XXIX) of 29 November 1974 on the financing of the United Nations Emergency Force and of the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 61/287 of 29 June 2007,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Force with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006 and 61/276 of 29 June 2007, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force as at 31 March 2008, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 15.0 million United States dollars, representing some 1 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only forty-nine Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure the payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Force in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear

[1] A/62/562, A/62/719 and Corr.1.

[2] A/62/781/Add.7 and Corr.1.

additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates* its request to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Force;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, [2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Takes note* of paragraph 30 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

11. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266 and 61/276;

12. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

13. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Force against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Force;

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007

14. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007;[3]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009

15. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force the amount of 47,859,100 dollars for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, inclusive of 45,726,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, 1,859,500 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 273,600 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

[3] A/62/562.

Financing of the appropriation

16. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 47,859,100 dollars at a monthly rate of 3,988,258 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008 and 2009, as set out in its resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

17. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 1,448,000 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,247,700 dollars approved for the Force for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, the prorated share of 178,700 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 21,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

18. *Decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 2,728,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 61/243, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2007, as set out in its resolution 61/237;

19. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 2,728,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 18 above;

20. *Further decides* that the increase of 72,600 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007 shall be added to the credits from the amount of 2,728,700 dollars referred to in paragraphs 18 and 19 above;

21. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

22. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Force under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

23. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Force in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

24. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session, under the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East", the sub-item entitled "United Nations Disengagement Observer Force".

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Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Steven Ssenabulya **Nkayivu** (Uganda)

I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East: United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 37th, 49th and 51st meetings, on 5 May and 5 and 13 June 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.37, 49 and 51).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 (A/62/632);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive review of the Strategic Military Cell (A/62/744);

(c) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 (A/62/751);

(d) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/781/Add.5).

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II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.47

4. At the 49th meeting, on 5 June, the representative of Sweden informed the Committee that no consensus had been reached during the informal consultations on this item.

5. At the same meeting, the representative of Antigua and Barbuda, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon" (A/C.5/62/L.47).

6. At the 51st meeting, on 13 June, the Secretary of the Committee orally corrected the draft resolution as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 1, after the date "30 June 2006", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/___" was deleted;

(b) In operative paragraph 13, after "60/266", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/___" was deleted.

7. At the same meeting, the Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of information consultations, proposed an amendment to the draft resolution, which was read out by the Secretary, by which three new paragraphs would be added after paragraph 22, as follows:

> "23. *Also decides* to maintain a D-2 post for the leadership of the Strategic Military Cell and a General Service post;
>
> "24. *Further decides* that the target date of the termination of the Strategic Military Cell shall be no later than 30 June 2010;
>
> "25. *Requests* the Secretary-General to assess whether the strengthening of the Office of Military Affairs approved in its resolution 62/___ (see A/C.5/62/L.57) has provided sufficient capacity and capability to meet the target date referred to above for the termination of the Strategic Military Cell and to report thereon in the context of the comprehensive report requested in its resolution 62/___ (see A/C.5/62/L.57);"

and the subsequent paragraphs would be renumbered accordingly.

8. At the same meeting, a recorded vote was requested on the fourth preambular paragraph and operative paragraphs 4, 5 and 21 of the draft resolution. A recorded vote was also requested on the draft resolution as a whole.

9. At the same meeting, before the vote, the representative of Nicaragua spoke on a point of order (see A/C.5/62/SR.51).

10. Also at the same meeting, statements were made before the vote by the representatives of the United States of America, Israel and Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China) (see A/C.5/62/SR.51).

11. At the same meeting, the Committee voted on draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.47 as follows:

(a) The fourth preambular paragraph and operative paragraphs 4, 5 and 21 were retained by a recorded vote of 74 to 4, with 45 abstentions. The voting was as follows:[1,2]

In favour:

Afghanistan, Algeria, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Benin, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Cuba, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Niger, Oman, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, Yemen, Zimbabwe.

Against:

Australia, Canada, Israel, United States of America.

Abstaining:

Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Cameroon, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

(b) Draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.47, as a whole, was adopted by a recorded vote of 124 to 2, with 1 abstention (see para. 14). The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Djibouti, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Ethiopia, Finland, France, Gabon, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand,

[1] The delegation of El Salvador subsequently indicated that it had intended to vote in favour.

[2] The delegation of Ukraine subsequently indicated that, had it been present, it would have abstained.

Nicaragua, Niger, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, Yemen, Zimbabwe.

Against:

Israel, United States of America.

Abstaining:

Australia.

12. After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Slovenia (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union), Lebanon, Israel, Australia and Canada (see A/C.5/62/SR.51).

13. A statement in exercise of the right of reply was made by the representative of Lebanon (see A/C.5/62/SR.51).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

14. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon,[1] the report of the Secretary-General on the comprehensive review of the Strategic Military Cell[2] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3]

Recalling Security Council resolution 425 (1978) of 19 March 1978 regarding the establishment of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force, the latest of which was resolution 1773 (2007) of 24 August 2007, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Force until 31 August 2008,

Recalling also its resolution S-8/2 of 21 April 1978 on the financing of the Force and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 61/250 C of 29 June 2007,

Reaffirming its resolutions 51/233 of 13 June 1997, 52/237 of 26 June 1998, 53/227 of 8 June 1999, 54/267 of 15 June 2000, 55/180 A of 19 December 2000, 55/180 B of 14 June 2001, 56/214 A of 21 December 2001, 56/214 B of 27 June 2002, 57/325 of 18 June 2003, 58/307 of 18 June 2004, 59/307 of 22 June 2005, 60/278 of 30 June 2006, 61/250 A of 22 December 2006, 61/250 B of 2 April 2007 and 61/250 C,

Reaffirming also the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Force,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Force with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006 and 61/276 of 29 June 2007, as well as other relevant resolutions;

[1] A/62/632 and A/62/751.
[2] A/62/744.
[3] A/62/781/Add.5.

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the Force as at 31 March 2008, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 144.9 million United States dollars, representing some 3 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only seventy-four Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States that have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Force in full;

4. *Expresses deep concern* that Israel did not comply with General Assembly resolutions 51/233, 52/237, 53/227, 54/267, 55/180 A, 55/180 B, 56/214 A, 56/214 B, 57/325, 58/307, 59/307, 60/278, 61/250 A, 61/250 B and 61/250 C;

5. *Stresses once again* that Israel should strictly abide by General Assembly resolutions 51/233, 52/237, 53/227, 54/267, 55/180 A, 55/180 B, 56/214 A, 56/214 B, 57/325, 58/307, 59/307, 60/278, 61/250 A, 61/250 B and 61/250 C;

6. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

7. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

8. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

9. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

10. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Force;

11. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

12. *Takes note* of paragraph 38 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266 and 61/276;

14. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Force is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

15. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the

Force against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Force;

16. *Notes* the significant projected underexpenditure for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008, as indicated in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, and requests the Secretary-General, to the extent possible, to take measures to improve budget forecasting with respect to the Force, bearing in mind the unpredictable nature of peacekeeping operations;

17. *Recalls* paragraph 1 of section XXI of its resolution 61/276, and welcomes the cooperation among the missions in the region and the efforts of the Secretary-General in this regard;

18. *Notes with concern* the high vacancy rate among international and national staff of the Force, and decides to apply a vacancy factor of 14 per cent for international staff and 15 per cent for national staff;

19. *Notes* paragraphs 16 and 17 of the report of the Advisory Committee, and decides to apply a delayed deployment factor of 8 per cent to the cost estimates for military contingents;

20. *Requests* the Secretary General to keep the requirements for the Force under constant review and to report thereon in the context of his future budget proposals;

21. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures to ensure the full implementation of paragraph 8 of its resolution 51/233, paragraph 5 of its resolution 52/237, paragraph 11 of its resolution 53/227, paragraph 14 of its resolution 54/267, paragraph 14 of its resolution 55/180 A, paragraph 15 of its resolution 55/180 B, paragraph 13 of its resolution 56/214 A, paragraph 13 of its resolution 56/214 B, paragraph 14 of its resolution 57/325, paragraph 13 of its resolution 58/307, paragraph 13 of its resolution 59/307, paragraph 17 of its resolution 60/278, paragraph 21 of its resolution 61/250 A, paragraph 20 of its resolution 61/250 B and paragraph 20 of its resolution 61/250 C, stresses once again that Israel shall pay the amount of 1,117,005 dollars resulting from the incident at Qana on 18 April 1996, and requests the Secretary-General to report on this matter to the General Assembly at its sixty-third session;

22. *Decides* to approve the post of Chief of the Joint Mission Analysis Cell (P-5) and the post of Associate Political Affairs Officer (P-2) in the Office of Political and Civil Affairs;

23. *Also decides* to maintain a D-2 post for the leadership of the Strategic Military Cell and a General Service post;

24. *Further decides* that the target date of the termination of the Strategic Military Cell shall be no later than 30 June 2010;

25. *Requests* the Secretary-General to assess whether the strengthening of the Office of Military Affairs approved in its resolution 62/___[4] has provided sufficient capacity and capability to meet the target date referred to above for the termination of the Strategic Military Cell and to report thereon in the context of the comprehensive report requested in its resolution 62/___;[4]

[4] See A/C.5/62/L.57.

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007

26. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Force for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007;[5]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009

27. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon the amount of 680,932,600 dollars for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, inclusive of 650,755,600 dollars for the maintenance of the Force, 26,306,200 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 3,870,800 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation for the period

28. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 113,488,767 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 August 2008, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008, as set out in its resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006;

29. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 28 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the amount of 2,312,883 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,840,633 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 421,267 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 50,983 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

30. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 567,443,833 dollars for the period from 1 September 2008 to 30 June 2009 at a monthly rate of 56,744,383 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008 and 2009, as set out in its resolution 61/237, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Force;

31. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 30 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 11,564,417 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 9,203,167 dollars approved for the Force, the prorated share of 2,106,333 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 254,917 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

32. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 28 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 8,252,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the levels updated in

[5] A/62/632.

General Assembly resolution 61/243, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2007, as set out in its resolution 61/237;

33. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Force, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 8,252,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 32 above;

34. *Also decides* that the decrease of 370,300 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 8,252,700 dollars referred to in paragraphs 32 and 33 above;

35. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

36. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Force under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

37. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Force in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

38. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session, under the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East", the sub-item entitled "United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon".

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Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Steven Ssenabulya **Nkayivu** (Uganda)

I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 37th and 51st meetings, on 5 May and 13 June 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.37 and 51).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the final disposition of the assets of UNAMSIL (A/62/756);

(b) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/781/Add.4).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.36

4. At its 51st meeting, on 13 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone" (A/C.5/62/L.36), submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of South Africa.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.36 without a vote (see para. 6).

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III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone,[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Bearing in mind Security Council resolution 1270 (1999) of 22 October 1999, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council revised and extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1610 (2005) of 30 June 2005, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission for a final period of six months until 31 December 2005,

Recalling its resolution 53/29 of 20 November 1998 on the financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone and subsequent resolutions on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone, the latest of which was resolution 61/288 of 29 June 2007,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

1. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone and the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone as at 31 March 2008, including the credits in the amount of 89.5 million United States dollars;

2. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

Disposition of assets of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone

3. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone;[1]

4. *Encourages* Member States that are owed credits for the closed peacekeeping mission accounts to apply those credits to any accounts where the Member State concerned has outstanding assessed contributions;

5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone".

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[1] A/62/756.

[2] A/62/781/Add.4.

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Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Steven Ssenabulya **Nkayivu** (Uganda)

I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 49th and 51st meetings, on 5 and 13 June 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.49 and 51).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 (A/62/749);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Mission in the Sudan for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 (A/62/785 and Corr.1);

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/781/Add.16).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.55

4. At its 51st meeting, on 13 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan" (A/C.5/62/L.55),

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submitted by the Chairman on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Nicaragua.

5. Before the consideration of the draft resolution, the Secretary of the Committee orally corrected the text as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 1, after the date "30 June 2006", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/___ of _____" was deleted;

(b) In operative paragraph 16, after "60/266", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/___" was deleted.

6. At the same meeting, statements were made by the Chairman of the Committee as well as the representative of Japan (see A/C.5/62/SR.51).

7. Also at the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.55, as orally corrected, without a vote (see para. 8).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

8. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1590 (2005) of 24 March 2005, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission in the Sudan for an initial period of six months as from 24 March 2005, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1812 (2008) of 30 April 2008, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 30 April 2009,

Recalling also its resolution 59/292 of 21 April 2005 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 61/289 of 29 June 2007,

Recalling further its resolution 58/315 of 1 July 2004,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in its resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the trust fund in support of the peace process in the Sudan,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006 and 61/276 of 29 June 2007, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in the Sudan as at 30 April 2008, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of $167.3 million United States dollars, representing some 5 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only thirty Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every

[1] A/62/749 and A/62/785 and Corr.1.

[2] A/62/781/Add.16.

possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Reaffirms* section XX of its resolution 61/276, and encourages the Secretary-General where feasible, to enhance regional and inter-mission cooperation with a view to achieving greater synergies in the use of the resources of the Organization and the implementation of mandates of the missions, bearing in mind that individual missions are responsible for the preparation and implementation of their own budgets and for controlling their own assets and logistical operations;

11. *Also reaffirms* paragraph 32 of its resolution 62/232 of 22 December 2007;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that future budget submissions contain sufficient information, explanation and justification of the proposed resource requirements relating to operational costs in order to allow Member States to take well-informed decisions;

13. *Decides* to approve 20 of the 28 United Nations Volunteers for property management proposed by the Secretary-General in paragraph 101 of his report;[3]

14. *Takes note* of paragraphs 45 and 50 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

15. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in his next overview report, to include information on the environmental policy, guidelines and pilot study as referred to in paragraph 174 of the report of the Secretary-General;

[3] A/62/785 and Corr.1.

16. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266 and 61/276;

17. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

18. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007

19. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007;[4]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009

20. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in the Sudan the amount of 858,771,200 dollars for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, inclusive of 820,720,600 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 33,169,900 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 4,880,700 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation

21. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 715,642,666 dollars for the period 1 July 2008 to 30 April 2009, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008, as set out in its resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006;

22. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 18,685,833 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 15,708,583 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 2,655,917 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 321,333 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

23. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 143,128,534 dollars for the period from 1 May to 30 June 2009, at a monthly rate of 71,564,267 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008 and 2009, as set out in its resolution 61/237, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

24. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 23 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 3,737,167 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 3,141,717 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 531,183 dollars of

[4] A/62/749.

the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 64,267 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

25. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 159,505,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2007, as set out in its resolution 61/237;

26. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 159,505,000 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 25 above;

27. *Also decides* that the decrease of 1,662,100 dollars in the staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 159,505,000 dollars referred to in paragraphs 25 and 26 above;

28. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

29. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

30. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

31. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Sudan".

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Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

Report of the Fifth Committee

Rapporteur: Mr. Steven Ssenabulya **Nkayivu** (Uganda)

I. Introduction

1. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 21 September 2007, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-second session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 40th and 51st meetings, on 12 May and 13 June 2008. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/62/SR.40 and 51).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007 (A/62/611);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009 (A/62/679);

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/781/Add.3);

(d) The note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008 (A/62/817).

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II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.42

4. At its 51st meeting, on 13 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara" (A/C.5/62/L.42), submitted by the representative of Uganda and Rapporteur of the Committee following the informal consultations.

5. Before the consideration of the draft resolution, the Secretary of the Committee orally corrected the text as follows:

(a) In operative paragraph 1, after the date "30 June 2006", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/____ of _____" was deleted;

(b) In operative paragraph 12, after the figure "60/266", the word "and" was added and the phrase "and 62/_____" was deleted.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/62/L.42, as orally corrected, without a vote (see para. 7).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

7. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara,[1] the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] the note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the Mission,[3] and the oral statement made by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[4]

Recalling Security Council resolution 690 (1991) of 29 April 1991, by which the Council established the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1813 (2008) of 30 April 2008, by which the Security Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 30 April 2009,

Recalling also its resolution 45/266 of 17 May 1991 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions and decisions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 61/290 of 29 June 2007,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006 and 61/276 of 29 June 2007, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara as at 31 March 2008, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 46.8 million United States dollars, representing some 7 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern

[1] A/62/611 and A/62/679.
[2] A/62/781/Add.3.
[3] A/62/817.
[4] See A/C.5/62/SR.40.

that only sixty-eight Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and in the oral statement made by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[4] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

10. *Decides* not to approve the Field Service post in the Archiving Unit;

11. *Also decides* to provide general temporary assistance for the national General Service post in the Archiving Unit for one year, and requests the Secretary-General to rejustify its continuation in the context of the next budget submission;

12. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266 and 61/276;

13. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

14. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007

15. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2007;[5]

Financing arrangements for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008

16. *Also takes note* of the note by the Secretary-General on the financing arrangements for the Mission for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008;[3]

17. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara the amount of 1,754,200 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008, in addition to the amount of 46,471,700 dollars already appropriated for the Mission for the same period under the terms of General Assembly resolution 61/290;

Financing of the additional appropriation for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008

18. *Also decides*, taking into account the amount of 46,471,700 dollars already apportioned under the terms of General Assembly resolution 61/290, to apportion among Member States the additional amount of 1,754,200 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2007 and 2008, as set out in its resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006;

19. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, the decrease of 235,000 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008 shall be added to the apportionment among Member States as provided for in paragraph 18 above;

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009

20. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara the amount of 47,702,500 dollars for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009, inclusive of 45,600,800 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 1,832,100 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 269,600 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

Financing of the appropriation for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009

21. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 39,752,080 dollars for the period from 1 July 2008 to 30 April 2009, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008 and 2009, as set out in its resolution 61/237;

22. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share in the Tax

[5] A/62/611.

Equalization Fund of 1,909,500 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,745,080 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 146,670 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 17,750 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

23. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 7,950,420 dollars for the period from 1 May to 30 June 2009, at a monthly rate of 3,975,208 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2009 as set out in General Assembly resolution 61/237, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

24. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 23 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 381,900 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 349,020 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 29,330 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 3,550 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

25. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 21 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 2,903,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2007, as set out in its resolution 61/237;

26. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 2,903,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 25 above;

27. *Also decides* that the decrease of 345,700 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2007 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 2,903,700 referred to in paragraphs 25 and 26 above;

28. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

29. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

30. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

31. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara".

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Letter dated 10 June 2008 from the Permanent Representative of Cyprus to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to my letter dated 15 April 2008, I have the honour to draw your attention to new violations of international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus by military aircraft of the Turkish Air Force, recorded from 2 April to 29 May 2008, as follows:

On 2 April 2008, five CN-235 and three Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations six times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 3 April 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 5 April 2008, two C-160 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 7 April 2008, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 8 April 2008, one Cougar and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 9 April 2008, two C-650, two B-200, two Cougar and one Black Hawk Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

On 10 April 2008, six Cougar and four CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus seven times.

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On 11 and 13 April 2008, four CN-235, two C-650, one Cougar and one Black Hawk Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations eight times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus eight times.

On 14 April 2008, two C-130, two CN-235 and one GLF-4 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 15 April 2008, one Cougar, two CN-235 and two C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 16 April 2008, two Cougar, two C-160 and one Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 17 April 2008, four CN-235, one C-650 and one GLF-4 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 18 April 2008, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 19 April 2008, five F-16 and four KC-135 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and once the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 22 April 2008, one CN-235, two C-160 and two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 24 April 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 25 April 2008, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 27 April 2008, one Cougar and two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 28 April 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 29 April 2008, two CN-235 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 30 April 2008, five F-16, two KC-135, two B-200 and two Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 1 and 2 May 2008, two F-16 and five Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations five times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 6 May 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 7 May 2008, three CN-235, two C-130, two F-16 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations seven times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus five times.

On 8 May 2008, two Cougar and one Turkish military aircraft of unknown type violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On the same day, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 12 May 2008, three Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 13 May 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 14 May 2008, two F-16, two B-200 and one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 16 and 17 May 2008, four CN-235 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 20 May 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 21 May 2008, two F-16 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations, and two Cougar and one C-160 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations four times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus four times.

On 24 May 2008, two CN-235 Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 25 May 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 27 May 2008, two Cougar Turkish military aircraft twice violated international air traffic regulations and twice the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On 28 May 2008, one Cougar and two B-200 Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations three times and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus three times.

On 29 May 2008, one Cougar Turkish military aircraft violated international air traffic regulations and the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus.

On behalf of my Government, I strongly protest the aforementioned violations and call for their immediate cessation.

Turkey's policy of persistently breaching international law and defying international rules and regulations gravely jeopardize the safety of international civil aviation, as well as the stability of the region. Moreover, Turkey's systematic attempts to undermine the sovereignty and unity of the Republic of Cyprus, by promoting an illegal secessionist entity, arrogating to itself, inter alia, the right to control part of Cyprus's airspace, further complicate the efforts to build trust and confidence between the two communities. Such actions are yet further evidence of Turkey's sole objective, namely, to consolidate the existing division of the island and sustain its military presence in Cyprus in perpetuity.

I should be grateful if you would arrange for the text of the present letter to be circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 22, and of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Andreas D. **Mavroyiannis**